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## Free Access to Westlaw Ohio Platinum and National Primary Law Libraries

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### Training dates and times:

Tuesday  
October 15<sup>th</sup>

9:00 a.m.-10:30 a.m.  
10:30 a.m.-Noon  
1:00 p.m. – 2:30 p.m.

Thursday  
October 24<sup>th</sup>

9:00 a.m.-10:30 a.m.  
10:30 a.m.-Noon  
1:00 p.m. – 2:30 p.m.

**1 CLE credit  
is available for attendance  
at the training session**

### Test Drive OSBA's New Casemaker™ Service!

The OSBA and Casemaker™ offer a trial web site at <<http://casemaker.ohioabar.org/>>. They ask for more information than most trial offers on the Web, but the trial account lasts for 180 days. For a full discussion of Casemaker™ read T. R. Halvorson and Margi Heinen's article, "Casemaker: Ohio Incubates Another Legal Information Service" at the LLRX website at <<http://www.llrx.com/features/casemaker.htm>>. <sup>1</sup>

### Evidence for Sale at eBay!

Los Angeles Times' writer,  
Lisa Girion writes that:

the world's most famous Internet auction also has become an unlikely source for legal evidence. It's a place where a growing number of lawyers bid - often against one another -- for everything from smoking-gun documents to killer products. <sup>2</sup>

You can find her interesting article at: <<http://www.siliconvalley.com/mld/siliconvalley/3710149.htm>>



**The Library will be closed on  
Monday, October 14th in  
observance of Columbus Day.**

### Don't Type Long URL's Into Your Browser!

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## Info@ Column

This month the Beginner section begins a series of articles on spreadsheets, the Intermediate is about your spell-checker, and the Advanced continues the graphics series with more info on JPEG. The print version is in the *Stark County Bar Journal* and the e-version is located at <<http://www.starklawlibrary.org/newsletter.htm>> on the Web.

## Search Engines Galore

We all have our favorite search engines, but it is always best to use several to get as much information as possible on your topic. The Law Research web page lists 76 search engines from around the world for legal research at: <<http://www.lawresearch.com/v10/search/ceform76.htm>>.

## CourtEXPRESS.com Launches Criminal Alert

Criminal Alert subscribers can request to be notified by e-mail when specified parties are named in criminal litigation or when new dockets are filed in a court case. You can read more about it at: <<http://library.northernlight.com/FC20020903890000045.html>>.

## New Book on Ohio Secured Transactions

When Chapter 1309 of the Ohio Revised Code became effective in July of 2001, there were many changes in the laws governing secured transactions. *Ohio Secured Transactions Under Revised Article 9 of the Uniform Commercial Code: Forms and Practice Manual*, by John C. Hartranft, Sr. and James H. Prior, KF175 .H37 2002, explains these changes, and provides sample forms related to the New Article 9.

## Try Today's Papers

MSN's Slate "Today's Papers" column at: <<http://slate.msn.com/code/TodaysPapers/TodaysPapers.asp>> is a great time-saver. It condenses the major stories from the early, online editions of the five major US newspapers (the Los Angeles Times, the New York Times, the Washington Post, the Wall Street Journal, and USA Today) into a thousand word summary. "Today's Papers is the media summary the media reads."<sup>3</sup>



## Free Case Management Software to Some Lucky Solo or Small Firm

The TechnoLawyer group is giving away a copy of Synergy 2.0, Advanced Information Systems' case management software for solos and small firms. This copy contains a license for up to five users.



Synergy has asked TechnoLawyer to give this software to a solo practitioner who does not currently use case management software. In exchange for the software, you must write a detailed review for TechnoLawyer. In addition, you must schedule a free training session with AIS, and use AIS' free tech support if you have any questions.

If you're still interested, contact TechnoLawyer via e-mail, and tell them about yourself, your practice, and why they should choose you. The e-mail address is: [technolawyer@peerviews.com](mailto:technolawyer@peerviews.com).<sup>4</sup>

## Footnotes

<sup>1</sup> "Review: Casemaker, an Alternative Legal Research Tool." *Research News: TVC Alert*, 17 September 2002. Ballard Spahr Andrews & Ingersoll, LLP. 26 September 2002. <<http://www.virtualchase.com/TVCAlert/sep02/17sep02.html>>

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<sup>4</sup> "TechnoLawyer News: Free Case Management Software" (electronic newsletter) by Neil J. Squillantenjs@peerviews.com To subscribe <<http://www.technolawyer.com/member/index.asp>> (16 Sept 2002) (copy on file with author).

## Welcome! To Our Newest Members

Ralph Conrad  
Mathew Petit  
John Ragner  
James Russell, Jr.

*Have you applied for membership?*

Complete a membership application at the law library. Or call, we'll FAX or email you one. Your first year of membership is free!

## All of the following cited publications are available in print at the law library.

"The Best Articles Published by the ABA." GPSOLO, September 2002, entire issue.

### **BUSINESS LAW**

"The Computer Fraud and Abuse Act: A Powerful New Way to Protect Information." The Computer & Internet Lawyer, September 2002, at 11.

"Taxing the Golden Goose: How Income Taxes Affect the Division of Businesses in Divorce." Business Entities, July/August 2002, at 6.

### **CIVIL LIBERTIES**

"The Electronic Communications Privacy Act Protects Individual Privacy But Not at the Expense of the Media's Free Press Right: Bartnicki v. Vopper, 532 U.S. 514 (2001)." University of Dayton Law Review 339.

"Kids Will Be Kids? Reconsidering Conceptions of Children's Rights Underlying Immigration Law." 62 Ohio State Law Journal 979.

### **ELDER LAW**

"Choosing Early or Normal-Age Social Security Benefits: Factors to Consider." Journal of Retirement Planning, July/August 2002, at 37.

"The Elder Law Durable Power of Attorney." 29 Estate Planning 538.

"Identity Theft and the Elderly." Experience, Summer 2002, at 33.



### **ESTATE PLANNING**

"Choosing the Right Trustee to Achieve Specific Objectives." 29 Estate Planning 469.

"Consider Your Options: Income and Estate Planning with Stock Options." 37 Real Property, Probate and Trust Journal 219.

"There But for the Grace..." Trusts & Estates, September 2002, at 8.

### **INTERNATIONAL LAW**

"Fighting International Corruption: The Turning Tide Spells Big Opportunity for International Business." International Law News, Summer 2002, at 1.

"Renegotiating International Business Transactions: The Continuing Struggle of the Life Against Form." 35 The International Lawyer 1507.

### **LAW PRACTICE**

"Claims For Diminished Value." Ohio Trial, Vol. 12, Issue 3, at 35.

"Creative Tension: Describe Conflicts in the Case Clearly to Better Hold the Jury's Interest." ABA Journal, September 2002, at 62.

"Payback for Public Interest Lawyers: Graduates Get Loan Repayment Relief." Student Lawyer, September 2002, at 16.

"Share Your Knowledge and Experience—Adopt a Law Student." Cleveland Bar Journal, September 2002, at 36.

"USA Patriot Act and the Gatekeeper Initiative: Surprising Implications for Transactional Lawyers." Probate & Property, September/October 2002, at 26.

"When a Child is Your Client." Trial, September 2002, at 38.

### **MEDICAL ISSUES**

"The Genetic Revolution at Work: Legislative Efforts to Protect Employees." 28 American Journal of Law & Medicine 271. Abstract available at: <[http://www.aslme.org/pub\\_ajlm/28.2\\_3f.php](http://www.aslme.org/pub_ajlm/28.2_3f.php)>

"HIV/AIDS and Violence Against Women." Human Rights, Summer 2002, at 18.

### **PROFESSIONAL CONDUCT**

"The Attorney as Moral Agent: A Critique of Cohen." Criminal Justice Ethics, Winter/Spring 2002, at 28. [PDF at OPLIN](#)

"Ethical Rules, Law Firm Structure and Choice of Law." 44 Corporate Practice Commentator 405. [PDF at OPLIN](#)

"What Do You Do When Confronted with Client Fraud." Business Law Today, September/October 2002, at 39.

### **TECHNOLOGY**

"12 Tips for Publishing Client Newsletters." Law Practice Management, September 2002, at 28.

"Failure to Prepare is Preparing to Fail: Document Retention Policies and Networks." Journal of Internet Law, August 2002, at 1.

"Technology: Cause and Remedy for a Lawyer's Stress." Ohio Lawyer, September/October 2002, at 12.

"Bartnicki v. Vopper: Is Privacy Protected While Talking on a Cellular Phone?" 28 Ohio Northern University

## LOG ON TO OUR CATALOG 24/7

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